

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	: Khalaf et al.	Art Unit	: 1654
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Title	: DNA MINOR GROOVE BINDING COMPOUNDS		

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed June 13, 2007, applicant elects the invention of Group 2, with traverse. Applicants respectfully request that Groups 1-34 be considered together as the claims in these Groups include related structures. Applicant will submit an additional preliminary amendment that includes a generic structural claim that includes a core that is intended to represent a point of novelty over the prior art and a substantial portion of the claimed compounds.

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Respectfully submitted,

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